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In Re the Application of:

HEIMBAUGH

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FOR POWERING VOICE COIL
MOTOR RETRACT CIRCUIT
WHILE BREAKING SPINDLE"

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Dear Sir:

Applicant, through his attorneys, respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) of three (3) months in which to respond to the Office Action mailed July 9, 2003, with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the period for response from October 9, 2003 to January 9, 2004.

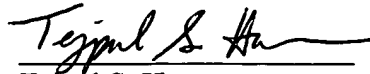
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